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your article ("Historical Notes," page 33) in the 14 May 1956 issue of TIME contains the statement concerning matters that were not even mentioned by me in the interview and which were probably obtained from the public records of the Congressional Investigation of the Attack on Pearl Harbor. That statement conveys an erroneous implication. Credit for the "priceless advantage in intelligence that led to such critical victories as Coral Sea, Midway, and subsequent bold carrier strikes" belongs to the World War II Navy, not the Army, cryptanalytic bureau.

/s/ William F. Friedman